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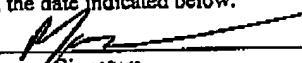
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This paper is being filed in response to the office action mailed September 14, 2005. The due date for filing a Response was December 14, 2005. A petition for a three (3) month extension of time from December 14, 2005 to March 14, 2006 is being filed herewith. Accordingly, this paper is timely filed on March 14, 2006.

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